Assessment of crude oil in Gujarat

3757. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the date when the last expert study/assessment of crude oil and reserves were carried out in Gujarat;

(b) the total number of exploratory and development wells recommended to be drilled by such experts; and

(c) the actual number of such wells drilled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The assessment of crude oil and gas reserves are carried out annually. Last such assessment was carried out on 1.4.2001 for the all the areas including Gujarat.

(b) and (c) During the year 2001-02, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) had planned to drill 58 exploratory wells and 96 development wells in Cambay basin in Gujarat and had actually drilled 57 exploratory wells and 99 development wells.

Allocation of kerosene to States

3758. SHRI C.P. POULOSE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of kerosene allotted alongwith the details of subsidies to each State in the country during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether Government have decided to stop the subsidy on kerosene; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The details of State-wise kerosene allocation made by the Central Government during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and